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Claims

1 **45.** A slotted peep for viewing an object, comprising:

5 A member having at least four slots formed therein;
 each of said slots having a pair of generally parallel sides extending a length between an open end and a closed end;
 each of said slots intersecting angularly spaced adjacent ones of said slots at said open ends thereof such that the open ends intersect to form corners and said intersection defines a central aperture;
 the closed ends of said slots being curved; and, the slots having the width thereof selected such that diffraction of light is confined to said slots and said central aperture is substantially free from light diffraction.

15 **2 46.** The slotted peep of claim **45**, wherein

each of said sides includes an edge and wherein the edges of said generally parallel sides and said closed end define a border of said slots; said member having a thickness adjacent to said border which is less than a thickness of said member away from said border.

20 **3 47.** The slotted peep of claim **46**, wherein:

 said border defines a knife edge.

4 **48.** The slotted peep of claim **45**, wherein:

 said slots are generally equi-angularly spaced.

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5 49. The slotted peep of claim **45**, wherein:

 the slots having the length at least twice the width thereof.

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